

Charlotte City Council Intergovernmental Relations Committee Summary Minutes Aug. 25, 2020

COMMITTEE AGENDA TOPICS

- I. Opening Remarks by Committee Chairs
- II. Community Feedback/Speakers
- III. 2020 Legislative Review
- IV. Charlotte Moves
- V. Multimodal Transportation Connectivity
- VI. Open Discussion

COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Committee Members Present: Tariq Bokhari (Co-Chair), Braxton Winston (Co-Chair), Larken Egleston, James

Mitchell, Matt Newton

Staff Resources: Dana Fenton, City Manager's Office

Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Assistant City Manager and Planning Director Liz Babson, Director, Charlotte Department of Transportation

Meeting Duration: 1:00 pm - 2:32 p.m.

DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS

Opening Remarks by Committee Chairs

This was a joint meeting of the Intergovernmental Relations Committees of the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County. The county committee chair and city committee co-chairs provided opening remarks and framed collaborative discussion topics.

Community Feedback/Speakers

Dr. Blanche Penn Ron Ross

2020 Legislative Review

City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County staff briefed the joint committee on the progress of the 2020 NC General Assembly

Charlotte Moves

Assistant City Manager Taiwo Jaiyeoba briefed the joint committee on the work of the Charlotte Moves Task Force, which grew out of a need for a comprehensive mobility network. This presentation will be made to the County Commission on September 15, 2020 and the towns in Fall 2020.

Multimodal Transportation Connectivity

Four organizations, CharlotteEast, Historic West End, Mecklenburg Park & Recreation Commission and Carolina thread Trail, presented the Community Sharing Agenda focusing on the need for greenways as part of a mobility network.

Open Discussion

- Inequity is apparent and the work needs to be done quickly, people expect that
- NCDOT's Integrated Mobility Division stands ready to assist
- Glad for the continued multi-agency conversations; there's value in the infrastructure
- Let's break down the silos of government, tackle barriers to equitable transportation/mobility
 - References: Austin (TX) trail system, City's Quality of Life Explorer
- Most of the work will happen offline, but agencies need to give guidance to staff
- Purpose of submitted resolution: review, take back to committees, eventually to full boards for adoption
- Talking to agencies (CRTPO, MUMPO, etc.) & surrounding towns will be important for input to create a strategy and turn it into action
- Don't forget about southside Charlotte/Ballantyne; they want connectivity and access, too
- Let's hear more about the implementation of ideas; link jobs to accessways; be mindful of where infrastructure is installed and if it will be used, accordingly
- Facilitate alternate transportation for school students; place bus stops strategically, teens work too

Upcoming Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, Sep. 21 at 2 p.m.